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SUBJECT: SOVIET PROTEST ON MEETING IN BERLIN OF THE MIXED
PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON THE ASSOCIATION OF GREECE WITH THE
EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES ON 22-24 NOVEMBER

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1. SUMMARY: ON NOVEMBER 15, SOVIET POLITICAL COUNSELOR KHOTULEV
AND FIRST SECRETARY TYUTYUNOV CALLED ON ACTING US DEPUTY POLAD
TO PRESENT THE FOLLOWING ORAL PROTEST ABOUT THE FORTHCOMING
BERLIN MEETING OF THE MIXED PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE ON THE
ASSOCIATION OF GREECE WITH THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES 22-24 NOVEMBER.
END SUMMARY.

2. BEGIN TEXT: AS HAS BECOME KNOWN THERE IS AN
INTENTION TO CONDUCT ON NOVEMBER 22-24 OF THIS YEAR
IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN A WORKING MEETING OF
THE MIXED COMMISSION CONSISTING OF A GROUP OF PARLIA-
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MENTARIANS OF GREECE AND DEPUTIES OF THE SO-CALLED

EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT. THE MEETING HAS BEEN ORGANIZED ON THE INITIATIVE OF THE FRG AND THE INVITATION FOR IT CAME FROM THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRG BUNDESTAG A.M. RENGER.

THERE CAN ARISE NO DOUBT THAT THE SAID MEETING HAS BEEN PLANNED AS ONE OF THE MEASURES AIMED AT THE GOAL OF UNDERLINING FRG CLAIMS TO EXTEND ITS COMPETENCE IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN WITH THE HELP OF ORGANS OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY AND TO STRIVE FOR A CLEAR REVISION OF ITS POLITICAL AND JURIDICAL STATUS.

THE SOVIET SIDE WOULD LIKE IN THIS CONNECTION TO DRAW ONCE AGAIN THE ATTENTION OF THE AUTHORITIES OF THE USA, GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE TO ITS POSITION OF PRINCIPLE PRESENTED IN THE DECLARATION OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF THE USSR TO THE EMBASSIES OF USA, GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE IN MOSCOW ON AUGUST 3, 1976 IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATTEMPTS TO DRAG THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN INTO THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY, AND WOULD LIKE TO UNDERLINE THAT THE EXTENSION TO THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN OF THE POWERS OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY WOULD PRESENT A REVISION OF THE STATUS OF THIS CITY AS IT WAS DETERMINED BY THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT OF SEPTEMBER 3, 1971 AND BY OTHER FOUR POWER DECISIONS AND AGREEMENTS OF THE WARTIME AND POSTWAR PERIOD.

IT IS COMPLETELY CLEAR THAT THE CARRYING OUT OF DIFFERENT MEETINGS OF ORGANS OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN IS ILLEGAL AND THAT THE PRESIDENT OF THE BUNDESTAG OF THE FRG HAS NO RIGHT TO CONVOKE SUCH MEETINGS IN THIS CITY. THE POWERS OF THE FRG BUNDESTAG DO NOT EXTEND TO THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN AND NO ORGANS OF THE FRG CAN LAY CLAIM IN THIS CITY TO CARRY OUT GOVERNMENTAL AUTHORITY.

PROCEEDING FROM THE ABOVE, THE SOVIET SIDE EXPECTS FROM THE AUTHORITIES OF THE USA, GREAT BRITAIN AND

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FRANCE THAT THEY WILL UNDER TAKE THE NECESSARY MEASURES TO PREVENT SUCH ACTIVITIES IN THE WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN, IN PARTICULAR THE ABOVE-MENTIONED MEETING WITH THE PARTICIPATION OF GREEK PARLIAMENTARIANS. END TEXT.

3. ACTING POLAD REPLIED THAT EC TREATIES HAD BEEN TAKEN OVER IN BERLIN IN 1957 SUBJECT TO ALLIED RIGHTS AND RESERVATIONS. THEY HAD BEEN IN EFFECT IN BERLIN

AT TIME QA WAS NEGOTIATED. WE HAD TOLD SOVIETS MANY TIMES OF OUR POSITION ON BERLIN'S INCLUSION IN THE AREA OF APPLICABILITY OF EC.

4. KHOTULEV RESPONDED BY AGAIN CALLING ATTENTION TO AUGUST 3 STATEMENT OF SOVIET FOREIGN MINISTRY ON SUBJECT OF WEST BERLIN'S RELATIONS TO EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES. KHOTULEV STATED THAT HE OF COURSE KNEW THAT TREATY FO ROME HAD BEEN EXTENDED TO WESTERN SECTORS WITH APPROVAL OF ALLIES. HE EMPHASIZED HOWEVER THAT EXTENSION TO BERLIN OF ROME TREATIES HAD NEVER BEEN ACCEPTED BY SOVIETS. TYUTYUNOV THEN CHIMED IN WITH "PERSONAL OBSERVATION" THAT SOVIETS ACCEPT REALITY OF INCLUSION OF THE WESTERN SECTORS INTO ECONOMIC SPHERE OF EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES; THEY DO NOT OBJECT TO WEST BERLIN'S ECONOMIC TIES (BINDUNGEN UND VERBINDUNGEN) WITH EC. THEY DO OBJECT, HOWEVER, TO EFFORTS TO INCLUDE WSB INTO "BLOC ORGANIZATIONS" AND TO SOVIETS THE EC IS WESTERN "BLOC ORGANIZATION."

5. MISSION CANNOT CONFIRM KHOTULEV'S CHARGE THAT INVITATIONS FOR MEETING OF JOINT COMMISSION HAD BEEN ISSUED BY BUNDESATG PRESIDENT RENGEL ALONE, BUT WILL INQUIRE AT SENAT. WE WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF EMBASSY CAN PROVIDE US WITH ANY FURTHER DETAILS ABOUT HOW MEETING WAS ARRANGED AND INVITATIONS ISSUED. ONCE WE HAVE CLARIFIED THIS POINT, WE WILL WORK OUT A DRAFT RESPONSE WITH ALLIES AND SUBMIT IT TO DEPARTMENT AND EMBASSY. GEORGE

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